



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

**June 5, 2018 7:00 PM
Council Chambers
400 N. Douty St.**

5:30 PM - CALL TO ORDER STUDY SESSION & CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Ayers called the Study Session and Closed Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Justin Mendes, Diane Sharp, Martin Devine, Sue Sorensen, David Ayers

PUBLIC COMMENT - STUDY SESSION & CLOSED SESSION:

Comments from the public are limited to items listed on the agenda (GC 54954.3a). A maximum of three minutes is allowed for each speaker. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.

There were no comments.

STUDY SESSION:

1. 2018-2019 General Fund Budget Review

City Manager Pyle and Finance Director Paula Lofgren provided an overview of the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Proposed Budget. City Manager Pyle distributed copies to the Council of their Goals and Objectives, as a critical reference in considering this draft budget. New to the 2018-2019 Draft Budget: one additional School Resource Officer (per Council's stated Goals and Objectives) and one fleet mechanic (cost spread through all funds). The General Fund Budget Review will continue in a Study Session on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, 5:30 p.m., covering Fire, Parks and Recreation, and Public Works Departments, as well as the CIP Budget.

Mayor Ayers closed the Study Session at 6:56 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

Due to lack of time, Mayor Ayers announced that Closed Session will follow the regular meeting.

**A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS - Government Code Section
54956.8:**

Property: 416 W. Sixth St.

Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle and Ty Mizote

Negotiating Party: Paula Lehn

Under Negotiations: Terms and Price

B. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS - Government Code Section 54956.8:

Property: 218 N. Douty St.
Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: Robin Leamy
Under Negotiations: Terms and Price

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Government Code Section 54956.8:

Number of Potential Cases - 1

SUCCESSOR AGENCY CLOSED SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING:

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS - Government Code Section 54956.8:

Property: Northeast corner of 11th Ave. and Idaho Ave. (APN 018-242-067)
Agency Negotiators: Darrel Pyle and Ty Mizote
Negotiating Party: Keith Lavarney
Under Negotiations: Terms and Price

7:00 PM CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION:

Mayor Ayers called the Regular Session to order a 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Martin Devine	Council Member	Present	5:18 PM
Sue Sorensen	Vice Mayor	Present	5:17 PM
Diane Sharp	Council Member	Present	5:35 PM
David Ayers	Mayor	Present	5:16 PM
Justin Mendes	Council Member	Present	

INVOCATION:

Rev. Robert Needham provided the Invocation.

FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Ayers led the flag salute.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Status Report for Capital Improvement Projects in Construction

Copies of the Status Report were provided in the agenda packet, as an informational item.

Police Captain Karl Anderson stated that, with school out and construction around town, the traffic and control officers are very busy.

Community Development Director Darlene Mata announced that building permits have been issued to Faraday Future, and they are moving forward.

Public Works Director Lou Camara stated that the airport taxiplane paving project is complete, work on the Veterans building should be completed by the end of the month, Grangeville resurfacing has been completed, and resurfacing on Lacey will take another week and a half.

Utilities and Engineering Director John Doyel reported that there was a large sinkhole on Saffron, by the People's Ditch. His department is working diligently to identify and solve the problem, which threatens the entire street. Residents are in their homes and have access to their driveways.

Finance Director Paula Lofgren's department has started the implementation of the financial software, and they are working on the year-end process. She announced that Accounting Clerk Terry Whiles will be retiring in July.

Parks Supervisor Alvin Dias stated that The Plunge opened this week for public swim, summer camps start next week at Lacey Park and at the Civic, and construction has started for the installation of the new playground at Lacey Park, being funded with CDBG Grant money. The median project will start next week or the following week.

In conjunction with the Parks report, City Manager Pyle mentioned that the Notice of Completion for the demolition of the Old Firehouse on Lacey is on this agenda. If approved, the property returns to City control. Designs are underway for the expansion of The Plunge recreational opportunities on the site. It will come before the Parks and Recreation Commission soon, then to the City Council. There is approximately \$400,000 in the budget for The Plunge renovation/expansion. Vice Mayor Sorensen requested that staff check the accuracy of the height-limit sign at The Plunge.

Fire Chief Chris Ekk reported that there are two firefighter candidates going through the pre-employment process. He also announced that the City took delivery of the new unit last Saturday.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

This is the time for citizens to comment on subject matters not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Hanford City Council. This is also the public's opportunity to request an item from the Consent Calendar be pulled for discussion purposes or to comment on any item on the agenda. Comments related to Public Hearing items will be heard at the time the item is discussed.

*A maximum of **three minutes** is allowed for each speaker. Please begin your comments by stating your name and providing your city of residence.*

Aubrey, NAS Lemoore resident, urged the Council to approve the firefighters' contract, and give them what they are asking for.

Bob Ramos asked that Item L be pulled from the Consent Calendar. Since the Old Firehouse has been demolished, he would like to know what the plans are for that location. He requested that Police vacancies be filled and that the City settle with the firefighters.

Dan Chin asked Council to ignore the decision they made two weeks ago concerning repair and removal of crosswalks. He asked them to direct the City Manager and City Attorney to hire the company that did the original ADA study to evaluate these five crosswalks.

Lou Martinez asked if Council has considered finding funding, such as CDBG grants, for making the crosswalks compliant. He requested that a hard copy of the Proposed 2019 Budget be placed at the library.

Michelle Brown, of Main Street Hanford, expressed appreciation to Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Police, and Fire for all they are doing with Thursday Night Marketplace. She reported that sales have been great, allowing Main Street to extend their facade grant budget.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these matters unless a request is made and then the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar to be discussed and voted upon by a separate motion.

Council Member Sharp asked to pull Item L, and Vice Mayor Sorensen asked to pull Item E from the Consent Calendar, for separate consideration.

Motion by Council Member Mendes, seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen, to approve the Consent Calendar, except for Items E and L, which were pulled for separate consideration. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Members MENDES, SHARP, DEVINE, SORENSEN, AYERS
NOES:	Council Members NONE
ABSTAIN:	Council Members NONE
ABSENT:	Council Members NONE

- A. City Clerk: Deny Claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Celia Suarez Ceron
- B. City Clerk: Deny claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Lilia Medina
- C. City Clerk: Deny claim for damages and direct the City Clerk to send out notification of such to Juan Medina
- D. Police: Approval of the contract with the County of Kings for animal shelter services
- F. Finance: Warrant Register
- G. Public Works: Award a contract to Michael Garrison and Associates (MGA) of Fresno for the replacement of speakers, amps, control board, and digital recorder equipment in the City Council Chambers, in the amount of \$12,138.64.
- H. Utilities & Engineering: Approve a Notice of Completion for the Civic Auditorium Exterior Painting Project, and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office

- I. Utilities and Engineering: Approve a Notice of Completion for the Airport Taxilane Rehabilitation Project - Phases 2 and 3, and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office.
- J. Utilities and Engineering: Award a contract to Chrisp Company of Fremont, CA in the amount of \$797,000.00 for the FY 16/17 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Improvements Project, establish a construction contingency of \$79,700.00, and approve an amended budget page to include an additional appropriation of \$41,492.00 in RSTP Reserves to fully fund project.
- K. Public Works: Approve the Notice of Completion for Tract No. 876, Greenbrier Gardens Subdivision, and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office. (Hanford-Armona Rd. and Greenbrier Dr.)

ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION:

- 1. (Item E.) Fire: Approve Signing of Letter of Support to Apply for SAFER Grant Funding

Fire Chief Ekk presented an overview of the SAFER Grant, which is a FEMA grant to provide staffing. He is requesting three additional firefighters. This is the fourth year we have applied for this grant, and he feels that we have a good chance of being approved for it this time.

Council Member Sharp did not feel comfortable with the wording of the letter and so declined to sign.

Motion by Council Member MENDES, seconded by Council Member DEVINE, to approve the SAFER Grant Support Letter, as written. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Members MENDES, DEVINE, SORENSEN, AYERS
NOES:	Council Members SHARP
ABSTAIN:	Council Members NONE
ABSENT:	Council Members NONE

- 2. (Item L.) Utilities and Engineering: Approve a Notice of Completion for the Old Firehouse Demolition Project, and authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and file said Notice with the Kings County Recorder's Office.

Council Member Sharp stated that she asked for this item to be pulled from the Consent Calendar, because she disagreed with the Council majority's decision regarding demolition of the Old Firehouse and would be voting "No" on this item.

Motion by Council Member MENDES, seconded by Council Member DEVINE, to approve the Notice of Completion of the demolition of the Old Firehouse. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Members MENDES, DEVINE, SORENSEN, AYERS
NOES:	Council Members SHARP
ABSTAIN:	Council Members NONE
ABSENT:	Council Members NONE

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Continuation of a Public Hearing to hear public comments for the closure and removal of five mid-block crosswalks in the downtown area located at: Irwin Street between Seventh Street and Eighth Street, Douty Street between Seventh Street and Eighth Street, Irwin Street between Sixth Street and Seventh Street, Douty Street between Sixth Street and Seventh Street, and Sixth Street between Douty Street and Harris Street, and make a determination that the five existing mid-block crosswalks be removed.

City Manager Pyle explained that additional time is needed for Utilities and Engineering Director Doyel to submit his proposed solution to the CASP expert for ADA-compliance assurance. He requested that the Public Hearing be continued to the scheduled regular City Council meeting of June 19, 2018.

Motion by Council Member MENDES, seconded by Vice Mayor SORENSEN, to continue the Public Hearing to the regular City Council meeting of June 19, 2018, 7:00 p.m. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Member MENDES, SHARP, DEVINE, SORENSEN, AYERS
NOES:	Council Member NONE
ABSTAIN:	Council Member NONE
ABSENT:	Council Member NONE

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A. Police: Approval of the MOU's with the Hanford Joint Union High School District, Hanford Elementary School District, and the Kings County Office of Education

Police Captain Karl Anderson presented the staff report and requested approval.

Motion by Vice Mayor SORENSEN, seconded by Council Member DEVINE, to approve the Student Resource Officer MOU's for Hanford Elementary School District, Hanford Joint Union High School District, and Kings County Office of Education. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Members MENDES, SHARP, DEVINE, SORENSEN, AYERS
NOES:	Council Members NONE
ABSTAIN:	Council Members NONE
ABSENT:	Council Members NONE

- B. Police: Adopt Resolution No. 18-21-R allowing participation in the State of California Alcohol Beverage Control Grant Assistance Program

Police Captain Anderson presented the staff report and recommended adoption of Resolution No. 18-21-R.

Motion by Council Member SHARP, seconded by Council Member DEVINE, to adopt Resolution No. 18-21-R allowing participation in the State of California Alcohol Beverage Control Grant Assistance Program. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Members MENDES, SHARP, DEVINE, SORENSEN, AYERS
NOES:	Council Members NONE
ABSTAIN:	Council Members NONE
ABSENT:	Council Members NONE

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS:

Council Member MENDES attended KCAG, KART, and LAFCO meetings. All were mostly budget meetings. He also attended the Kings Waste Recycling Authority meeting. The City of Corcoran submitted a letter indicating that they may pull out. He recommended a future Closed Session discussion to strategize. A comprehensive study should be available mid-July.

Council Member SHARP attended the jail expansion KCAO meeting, with a group of young volunteers trying to bring a program into the Longfield Center to provide leadership through coding activities, such as making websites. Eric and Craig have been very helpful.

Council Member DEVINE had questions for Captain Anderson for after the meeting.

Vice Mayor SORENSEN asked why staff is consulting a CASP expert, rather than consulting those who did the original study. Director Doyel replied that the original consultants identified the problems but did not provide the solutions. In his professional opinion as an engineer, he felt this was the way to proceed. Vice Mayor Sorensen then asked if the 2010 standards could be applied to the downtown crosswalks. Director Doyel responded that ADA standards are updated every few years, so 2010 standards would not be current.

COUNCIL FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Council Member MENDES referred to letters from Paula Massey requesting that the Skate Park be named after her son. He suggested it might be a future agenda item for the Parks and Recreation Commission. The Commission could then provide a recommendation to City Council.

Council Member SHARP requested a comprehensive study for downtown businesses, including the crosswalks and other components.

Council Member DEVINE suggested making Seventh Street one-way going west and making Sixth Street one-way going east, to increase angled parking.

Community Development Director Mata noted that there was a market study done for the Costco development, and that data is available.

Per Mayor Ayers suggestion, Council Members SHARP and DEVINE will meet with Directors Doyel and Mata and bring back a recommendation.

Mayor Ayers shared that he received a call from Mayor Ray Madrigal, who is hosting a strategic planning seminar on goal setting at Adventist Health's Community Room, June 15, 2018, 12:00-1:30 p.m. Mayor Ayers asked if Council members were interested in attending. City Manager Pyle and several others indicated that they would like to go. Mr. Pyle will R.S.V.P. for all.

At City Manager Pyle's suggestion, the 2018-2019 budget review will continue at a Study Session meeting Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, for the General Fund and CIP. The Enterprise Fund Budget will be reviewed at the June 19 Study Session.

A Town Hall meeting for consideration of a ballot measure to increase local sales taxes for a limited time to address building restoration of public historic buildings was scheduled for Wednesday, June 20, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Civic Auditorium.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Ayers closed the regular meeting at 8:10 p.m. and adjourned to Closed Session.

With no action to report, Mayor Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Black
Interim City Clerk